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SUBJ: RENEWAL OF METEOROLOGICAL AGREEMENT

REF: TORREY/ZWEIFEL MARCH 13 TELCON

1. EMBOFF AND NOAA REP MET MARCH 13 WITH FONSECRETARIAT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR DIPLOMATIC SERVICES, LIC VICTOR RODRIGUEZ, TO DISCUSS NEXT STEPS FOR REVIVING BILATERAL AGREEMENT ON METEOROLOGICAL COOPERATION. EMBREPS AND RODRIGUEZ AGREED THAT WORDING OF MEMORANDUM OF ARRANGEMENT IS NOW ACCEPTABLE; THERE WILL BE AN EXCHANGE OF SPANISH AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEXTS FOR FINAL CONCURRENCE. EMBREPS ALSO POINTED OUT THAT IT WILL BE OBVIOUS TO ANYONE EXAMINING THE RECORD THAT THERE HAS BEEN A HIATUS SINCE EXPIRATION OF THE LAST AGREEMENT ON JULY 31, 1973 AND SUCH TIME AS NEW AGREEMENT TAKES EFFECT. IT IS EQUALLY OBVIOUS THAT THERE IS NO WAY IN WHICH NEW AGREEMENT CAN BE MADE RETROACTIVE, ESPECIALLY GIVEN INTERVENING CHANGE OF AMBASSADORS. AT SAME TIME, A COOPERATIVE PROGRAM HAS CONTINUED DURING INTERIM ON AN INFORMAL BASIS. HENCE, ON ANAD REFERENDUM BASIS, EMBASSY SUGGESTED A SLIGHTLY REVISED WORDING OF COVERING NOTE AS MOST PREFERABLE PROCEDURE TO FOLLOW (REF TELCON). THIS WORDING (SEPTEL) WOULD HAVE ADVANTAGE OF RECOGNIZING CONTINUATION OF PROGRAM, BUT WOULD NOT FOCUS ATTENTION ON FACT THAT PREVIOUS AGREEMENT HAD LAPSED SOME TIME AGO. AS LESS DESIRABLE OPTION, EMBASSY SUGGESTED THAT SAME ESSENTIAL APPROACH COULD BE TAKEN, BUT WITH ENTIRE SPELL-OUT OF A NEW AGREEMENT (I.E. NOTE WOULD CONTAIN FULL TEXT OF 12 NUMBERED PARAGRAPHS FROM PREVIOUS UNCLASSIFIED

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AGREEMENT, AMENDED AS AGREED UPON DURING NEGOTIATIONS ON

NEW ACCORD.)

2. LIC. RODRIGUEZ WAS QUICK TO STATE THAT HE PERCEIVED NO DIFFICULTY IN THE FIRST OPTION. HE PROMISED, UPON RECEIPT OF THE DRAFT TEXT OF THAT OPTION, TO PRESENT IT TO HIS SUPERIORS AND THEN NOTIFY EMBREPS OF THEIR REACTION.

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